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SUBJECT: GERMANY H1N1 FLU UPDATE: 591 CONFIRMED CASES

REF: A) Berlin 817, B) Berlin 812 and previous.

¶1. (SBU) SUMMARY: The number of H1N1 infections in Germany rose by 43 cases to a total of 591 on July 8. END SUMMARY.

¶2. (SBU) The National Reference Center for Influenza at the Robert Koch Institute (RKI) announced in its press briefing July 8 a total of 43 new laboratory-confirmed cases of H1N1. This increases the total number of virus cases in Germany to ¶591. New cases were distributed among the federal states as follows: North Rhine Westphalia (25), Baden-Wuerttemberg (6), Bavaria (4), Berlin (2), Lower-Saxony (2), Brandenburg (1), Saxony (1), Saxony-Anhalt (1), and Thuringia (1).

¶3. (SBU) North Rhine-Westphalia remains the state with the highest number of virus cases among all German states with a total of 290, followed by Baden-Wuerttemberg (84) and Bavaria (66 cases). The Federal State of Saarland remains the only state without confirmed virus cases. Over half (335) of all confirmed infections in Germany have resulted from domestic transmission.

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